

NORTHEAST AREA PLAN UPDATE

DRAFT WORK PROGRAM

PURPOSE

To revise the Northeast Area Plan in order that it be a relevant and useful document for the community and its decision makers. The updated plan will be a single document that supersedes the 1994 area plan and 2000 action plan.

OBJECTIVES

- Accurately reflect current conditions in the northeast area
- Identify present-day issues for residents, business owners, and other area stakeholders
- Delineates community goals and objectives for the future of the planning area
- Develop clear and concise policies based on input from the working committee
- Establish strategies (or action steps) for accomplishing plan provisions

PLANNING AREA

The 2005 plan will address the same area as that dealt with in the 1994 plan – namely, that portion of Columbus that falls within the Northeast Area Commission boundaries: Morse Road on the north, Hudson and Mock roads/Alum Creek/I-670 on the south, I-270 on the east, and the Conrail railroad tracks on the west.

PLAN CONTENT

The revised plan will include, but is not limited to, the following subject area: land use and zoning; housing; vehicular and pedestrian traffic and circulation; parks, recreation, and open space; capital improvements; and economic development.

WORKING COMMITTEE

A working committee will be formed to assist with the plan update. Representatives from the following groups/organizations will be asked to participate:

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| • Northeast Area Commission | • Business Owners/Organizations |
| • Area Residents/Homeowners | • Real Estate Developers |
| • Institutions (i.e. schools, churches, etc.) | • Area Industries |

TIMETABLE

The plan update is estimated to take eight to nine months to complete, based on the number of subject areas outlined above. The process may require additional time if more subject areas are identified and/or the working group requires additional time to address a given topic. Typically, the review and adoption process requires an additional six to eight weeks.



Phase I - Preliminary Organization

- Define the scope of work to be addressed during the planning process and develop a work program.
- Solicit stakeholders from the community to kick-off the process and identify individuals interested in serving on a working committee.
- Review the existing Northeast Area Plan to identify portions/sections of the plan requiring revision.

Phase II - Data Collection and Analysis

- Conduct a work session to identify current issues/concerns for the Northeast Planning Area.
- Address subject areas/topics with the working committee in collaboration with other city departments/divisions.
- Compile census data, maps, photographs, historical narratives, and any other relevant data for the plan.
- Conduct fieldwork as needed to assess and document features/conditions of the community.

Phase III - Plan Development

- Draft preliminary recommendations for the plan based on input and information assembled during Phase II.
- Review draft recommendations with the planning committee and incorporate any necessary changes or revisions.
- Present the draft recommendations and provide a progress report to the Area Commission and Development Commission.
- Draft the plan and submit it to city departments and divisions and the planning committee for comment.
- Modify the draft plan as needed and prepare a final draft for public review.

Phase IV - Review and Adoption

- Conduct a public open house to present the plan to the Franklinton community-at-large.
- Present the plan to the Northeast Area Commission and for their review and endorsement.
- Submit the plan to the Development Commission for approval.
- Submit the plan to City Council for adoption.

